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WORLD'S-1904-FAIR.

EASTERN PRIENDSHIP. There can be no objection to the President's is suance of a proclamation to the peoples of the earth, telling them, again, that at St. Louis in 1904 we shall marshal the splendors and wonders and glories of Christendom. Editor Hughes of London, by his letter to President Roosevelt, manifests the utmost friendliness to the World's Fair and its promotion. and for that reason there is no disposition to dispute what he says. His simple suggestion might prove beneficial. By

the little drop of ink Mr. Roosevelt might set the millions to thinking afresh. But, with all due respect to Mr. Hughes, it has been pretty evident that the millions, even to the remotest quarters of the earth. have done a large quantity of thinking already.

Mr. Hughes's statement should strike home to the Eastern press, upon which it reflects no great credit. That anothy exists abroad, he says, is due to the fact that London, Paris and Berlin papers take their tone respecting the Fair from the press of Washington. New York and Boston. It is evident that one or two articles of the Mail and Express variety could work us much injury, while an absence of enthusiasm in general cannot inspire enthusiasm in the foreigner.

Independently of the press, however, our direct endeavors in those fields, especially in France and Germany, have served to familiarize the people with our work and plans, and to secure the nations' interest and co-operation. England has not quite met our expectation, but with the efforts now being made it is reasonably certain that she will not be behindhand either in the quantity or quality of her representa-

We suggest to Mr. Hughes that if the journalistic tone of our Atlantic seaboard is disappointing to the London, Paris and Berlin papers they should not look for news of our great project in that quarter, but should turn to the Far Orient. There enthusiastic preparation is the order. Learn of us by way of Japan. Spread the intelligence back to this country and let the New York, Boston and Washington papers take tone from abroad, catching the ware of intelligence and progression after it has circled the rest of the earth.

POLICE AND GAMBLING.

With steady industry two partisan organs will soon produce a settled public confidence in the efficiency of the St. Louis police.

Everybody knows that the force is better in personnel and discipline than it was when held in thralldom by a rapacious and corrupt Municipal Ascembly. The Business Men's League has officially restified to its present vigilance. Few, however, real-Ized how thorough has been the work of the force in executing the antigambling laws.

Two political organs started out to convict the po lice of a Tammany kind of complicity with gambling operations. Instead of having sense enough to conreal their failure they have luridly published the facts. Each of them has discovered two or three cheap craps games. One found a game of dice proecciling on a billiard table belonging to a saloon in the ownership of which a son of Chief Kiely is a partner, "Several dollars," the report alleged, constituted the capital of these infatuated gamesters.

Gambling is a vice probably the most corrupting of all vices. Pulpit, press, police and Legislature should the State are gross libels upon the name and honor be perpetually active against its manifestations. It of Missouri and upon her citizenship, is not good that even a craps game should spasmodically flourish in a cellar. Business men should be severe with employes who gamble. Women should refuse to marry young men who waste money in that most foolish and dangerous of ways.

Until society itself becomes more stringent in se-Idle youth will not institute an occasional craps game park and denue enhancement in one system and of in an attic or cellar; or so that men who indulge the related vice of drinking will not throw dice in a few

are not at work unless in some secret and guarded tain that professional gamblers do not concentrate in art, investment and civic pride. St. Louis as they do in Chicago, New York and Hot Springs.

vigilance in a policeman. It is no defense of a single law officers.

CONDUCT OF ELECTIONS.

Considered in its entirety the Jefferson Club election bill is comprehensive and equitable. Under it, as a law, exceptionally fair elections could be held. If any of the cardinal provisions are defective or incomplete, these weaknesses have not been discovered; at any rate criticism has not been made, even by opposing partisans in regard to essential features. and, therefore, the bill may be deemed acceptable,

The formulators of the measure declared that it had been prepared in a spirit of absolute impartiality, and their high aim was to produce an act that would insure honest and open transactions in elections. As it stands, the bill clearly indicates that this purpose was strictly adhered to; the penalty sections particularly show purity of motive on the part of the committee. For this reason it would be unjust to base comments solely on political grounds. If discussions are to ensue they must be confined to the intrinsic merits or demerits of the bill itself.

Members of the club's committee declared that they had weighed thoroughly the suggestion in favor of re-establishment of precincts between presidential elections, when the authorized maximum population of a precinct would be exceeded, and that they were finally convinced that such a plan would be impracticable. Their conclusion may be entirely right; yet, it does seem that some modification of the plan, designed to facilitate voting and reduce the opportunity for wrongdoing, might be adopted with advantage.

That occasion might arise in interim-years for defining a wholly new system of precincts for the whole city is improbable almost to the extent of impossibility. On the other hand, the prospect that one of wealth and prominence, of women who desire St. or several precincts will show large increase in population is very probable. We may look for the population of one or several precincts to grow beyond the 300 maximum between presidential years, and the law should provide means, for such an emergency, to subdivide existing precincts and thus keep the voting strength at any one polling place at a number easily

Say, for instance, that the voting population of a precinct should increase, between presidential elections, from 300 to 1,000, which is not impossible. Would it not be better, in that case, to subdivide the precinct and have two polling places?

It would not be necessary to take away the identity of a precinct. The bill could be amended so as to provide that the Board of Elections, whenever the voting strength of a precinct would exceed 400. should divide the precinct into two divisions-one to be known, for example, as Precinct 13A and the other as Precinct 13B. The precinct would continue to exist as before, but voting would be facilitated by having two polling places instead of one.

Under ordinary circumstances 500 citizens could be easily accommodated at a booth where the pollingplace officials were exceptionally competent and in precincts where the voters are familiar with election methods. However, a series of mishaps might be serious in precincts where officials and voters are not too well informed and not hightly educated. The law should not be so arbitrary that the board could not meet fore-evident contingencies by subdividing any precinct that had increased its voting strength to or above 400. The attention of the Legislature is called to this suggestion.

The Republic has previously objected to the proposed increase of an Election Commissioner's salary from \$2,500 to \$3,000 a year. If a Commissioner were obliged to devote full time to the duties \$3,000 would not be sufficient. But, in fact, a Commissioner deotes virtually no great time to the work except be fore, during and after an election, and, furthermore, he is not prohibited from conducting his private business. There is no excuse for raising the salary; \$2,500 a year is enough. If any Commissioner thinks good men cannot be engaged at that compensation, let him resign and see how many and what kind of applications for the position are filed.

It is well that the Legislature has decided to hold a public hearing on the blik. This will give the voters a chance to state their views. It will also afford to professional politicians the opportunity to make themselves ridiculous by injecting petty partisan protests. In the end a good law will be enacted, and the Jefferson Club bill, though a few minor amendments might improve it, will satisfy the people.

SLANDERING MISSOURI.

When a newspaper charges election frauds it should confine itself to facts. That organ which draws sweening conclusions from isolated instances and sends broadcast unfounded accusations in the guise of positive statements of fact is without a sense of responsibility and is guilty of slander upon the State and its people, for which there is no redress in

Crime against the ballot is of such grave nature that it, above all other infamous crimes, should be charged only when the proof is ample and convincing. It goes to the honor not only of men, but of the State. And honor is the State's highest possession France, though fighting England, declined to repudiate her debts, for the honor of the state.

St. Louis knows that the November election, both in the city and in the State, was fairly decided. The fairness of returns in the State has never been questioned. In the city there were frauds committed by persons calling themselves Republicans or Demo-

In total amount the frauds were small; smaller than the frauds of so-called Republicans under previous Republican election laws. The frauds, such as they were, had no effect whatever upon the result of the election. Were there no evidence to substantiate this the plain official admissions of the Republican party would suffice to show the truth. There has been a mass of evidence, however, which, sifted, shows a comparatively triffing percentage of frauds, irrespective of party.

Therefore, the statement that the "poison has spread until everything pertaining to elections in this city has been contaminated" and the general charges that fraud permeates the administrative system of

GREAT IMPROVEMENT.

The plan to make King's highway a magnificent, semicircular boulevard, such as would rival the finest driveways of the world in beauty and artistic treatment, is one of the greatest public improvement projarrity the police can never purify a city so that poker ects ever submitted for the city's consideration. In sames-vide recent events in Jefferson City-will not effect it will have the triple advantage of giving St. and there go on behind closed doors; or so that Louis a grand around-the-town boulevard, of uniting

establishing better conditions along the riverside. Existing natural advantages in and adjacent to St. Louis afford wide scope for making beautiful the city that childhood story about the people who killed the goose The partisan organs have proved that the police and the surrounding country. St. Louis lacks none that laid the golden eggs, and I shudder."

attractive city. All that St. Louis needs to develop into the city beautiful-into one of the most beautispots. Even craps games seem to be few. It is cer- ful of cities beautiful-is the happy conjunction of

If the plans of the King's Highway Commission are studied by the people, rich and poor, as thoroughly All this is no excuse for the occasional lapse of and lovingly as they deserve to be, much of the promise which they contain for municipal betterment will gambling game. But it is a tribute to Chief Klely, crystallize. Compared to the actual, direct benefits Chief Desmond and their men as a general force of of the boulevard, and to the rich resultant advantages which it presents, the estimated cost is insignificant.

Without passing beyond the boundary of conservatism, it may be predicted that fulfillment of this enterprise will be an inspiration for a noble city, for extended public improvements and for complete harmony in all permanent work. It would be the foundation for a peerless city beautiful; it would mark the passing of methods of ugliness and the advent of beauty, art and system in the construction of a city that would be modern for years to come and famous always for adherence to those exalted principles whose charm is eternal.

Few persons have given a passing thought to the possibilities which the riverside holds for adornment or to the pleasure that riverside drives, parks, prome nades and general improvements would give. Few persons have conceived advantages that would come as a consequence of an unsurpassed boulevard running, bow-shape, parallel to the city limits from park to park and meeting the river on the north and again on the south, sixteen miles distant by road.

The contemplated improvement of King's highway as a boulevard is, from every viewpoint and in every way, a project of extraordinary promise. It is an enterprise that would turn the attention of the whole country to St. Louis. It would be accepted as a model in the systematic embellishment of avenues and parks. It would go far toward making St. Louis a park city, and, therefore, as a city one of the most attractive and most beautiful of cities.

Mayor Wells was first to realize the prospects of this improvement, and he will not, now that a qualified commission has perfected plans, be easily deterred from urging its completion. It is such an important and desirable project that he should have the energetic support of all citizens, but especially of mea-Louis to become a representative city, and of all lovers of the beautiful. If the public can be shown the real advantages of it, it will not want for encouragement. It is an enterprise that, upon investigation, will stand of its own merit.

The best municipal exhibit that the World's Fair will have will be the city of St. Louis in the process of a grand transformation. The "Model City" will be a miniature type of the reconstructed, beautiful metropolis.

Rumors of a merger of illuminating companies comes inopportunely when we are wailing about the Hard-Coal Trust's methods. There is a little satisfaction in having four lighting companies at war: this affords at least a semblance of competition.

The man who would stand on the bridge at midnight in this weather might have sentiment, but unless he had enough to burn his future life would be without fingers and ears.

Perhaps Mark Hanna does not wish to be President himself. He says he doesn't. But he is the same man who said, last year, that there were no trusts in existence.

RECENT COMMENT.

For Increased Navy Enlistment.

Army and Navy Journal. One substantial reason for providing for a liberal and continuous increase in the enlisted force of the navy is the act that between January 1, 1908, and July 1, 1904, there will be 3.876 discharges of men by reason of the expiration of their terms of enlistment. The system of four-year enlistments began in March, 1885, and under the operation of that system there will be 1.288 discharges in the first half of the present year, while between July 1, 1968, and July 1, 1994, there will be 2,588 discharges. To this natural waste of nearly 1,300 every year must be added a still larger waste of 628 per month, or 7,656 per year, because of death, medical survey, inaptitude; bad conduct, dishonorable discharge and desertion. Here is an annual waste of \$.856, or considerably more than one-third of the entire enlisted force of the navy on its present basis of 25,000 men, and there is no fixed and continuous system of repairing this waste. What is needed in place of the present haphazard method is a system authorizing the enli every year of a number of men equal to the annual waste, as well as enough additional men to provide a full complement for every new ship placed in commission.

The Threat That Worked. March Smart Set.

The slender woman faced the burly burglar's deadly evolver without a tremor of terror, for, as is well known, the weakest are often the bravest "Tell me where the money is hid," he hissed, most truculently, "or I'll fire"

"Never!" she answered, determinedly, and with marked accent on the "r." "Kill me, if you will, but I will never reveal the hiding place of my husband's hardearned hoard! Villain, do your worst!"

"I will!" snarled the scoundrel, baffled for the moment but not beaten, "Tell me, instantly, or I'll drop this big, woolly caterpillar down your neck!" In three minutes more he had bagged the boodle and was splitting the midnight darkness in a northeasterly di-

Monroe Doctrine Makes for Peace. Leslic's Weekly

rection.

The Monroe Doctrine in its present application to the situation in South America received a clear, forcible and eloquent interpretation by ex-Postmaster General Smith In his recent speech at the annual dinner of the Albany Society of New York at Delmonico's, "The Monroe Doc trine," he said, "Is far more an American necessity to day than when it was proclaimed eighty years ago. The it was the joint movement of England and the United States against the Holy Alliance. Insistence upon it now insures us from being complicated in the expansive and imperialistic designs of the great world Powers over the sea, and is our best guarantee of peace." These words are true, and we shall gain and not lose in the respect of our European neighbors if we resolutely uphold the doctrine

Punctuality In Good Manners. Commercial-Tribune.

Count de Montesquiou was invited to a fashionable dance in New York. When he arrived the hostess sent word she was dressint. After waiting an hour, he said to the hostess, who came down at that minute: "My cards said 19 o'clock." "But," said the lady, "that means 12 in New York." With an ley manner, the Count said: "In Paris it is good manners to accept invitations punctually at the hour one is invited." And he was exactly right It is good manners in this country, too, among those who have good manners. The Count went home without fur

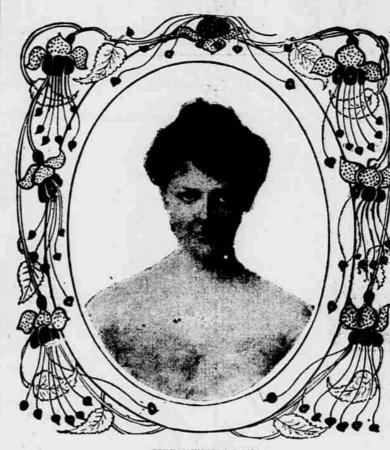
Reciprocity and Prosperity.

During the period of reciprocity the New England fishing interest had attained its greatest measure of pros perity. Nearly every town on the New England coast was then represented in the splendid fleet of American vessel which then cruised from the Capes of Virginia to the Bay of Seven Islands in search of mackerel, or visited every bank and ledge of the North Atlantic in the deep-sea fishery. With the abrogation of the treaty began that de-cay of the once great fishing interests of Provincetown, Wellfleet, Truro, Salem, Beverly, Newburyport, Portland. Boothbay, Saco, Deer Isle and many lesser but once flour-

A Terrifying Thought. Washington Star.

"So you are not going in for smashing the trusts?" friend," answered Senator Sorghum, "I may be compelled for appearance sake to join in that destructive enterprise. But whenever it crosses my mind I think of

do not tolerate open gambling in St. Louis. They of the natural resources for creating a wonderfully MRS. GEORGE BERGFELD ENTERTAINS AT AFTERNOON TEA AND MUSICAL.



MRS. DWIGHT DANA. Of Boston, who is visiting her sister, Mrs. Edward Goltra. Mrs. Dana was Miss Clan Brown of Jacksonville, Ill.

Mrs. George Bergfeld, No. 4180 West Morgan street, gave a tea, with music, yesterday afternoon at her residence, the hours being divided from three to four and from four to fire.

A programme of music and some recitations by Miss Evelyn Currier entertained the guests of each section. Those who contributed to the music were Mrs. George Carrie, Mrs. Brainerd, Mrs. Will Watson Mrs. E. C. Frohman, Miss Rose Pfeiffer Miss Lang, Mrs. Oliver Barwick, Miss Zapf and Mrs. Malcolm Robb.

The house was trimmed in white flowers and many greens; the table, where Mrs. Baarent Ten Brock, Mrs. Druhey, Miss Hazel Thompson, Miss Huft and Miss Lynch served, being especially attractive with a white rose and asparagus fern center-piece; white shaded candles; and triffes of the two colors.

Mrs. Bergfeld received with her guest. Mrs. Meisinger, wearing a gown of white mousseline de gauze, with some trimming of spangles. Mrs. Meisinger wore pink chiffon and lace. Several ladies were in-vited by the hostess to come without hats, including the Misses Lynch, Miss Virginia Gettys and Mrs. Hemingway The number of callers was very large,

Corwin H. Spencer,
Bransford Lewis,
T. C. Kupferle,
George W. Terry,
George Willard Teasdale,
Brando Wid

O. H. Dodge, William Gundelsch, Gerald O'Reilly,

Churchill, Ludwig, Heerich, Florida Rellly,

Margaret Gibney, Anna Lee Pickel, Walker. MISS ZIPP'S EUCHRE.

The first prize was won by Miss Margeret Knepper. Plano solos were rendered by the Misses Olivia Sartorius, Katie and Emma Minges. Those present were: MissesMargeret Knepper, Theresia Brocckelman,

Margeret Anna Schroll, Katle Minges, Helen Schneider, Anna Knepper, Julia Ritensbacher, Emma Minges, Gertrude Schwieter-ing. Anna A. Federer.

man, Carrie Korman, Katie Kargus, Olivia Sartorius, Josephine Leibinger, Rosie Korman,

VALENTINE PARTY. A surprise valentine party was given by Miss Brunetta Baum at her home, No 3519 Bell avenue, last Saturday. Valentine games were indulged in and a prize was awarded to Miss Morris, a cut glass atom-

izer, filled with perfume; while the tleman's prize, a box of cigars, Mr. Winnie Stampfer. Among those present were: Louis Rogovin. Rudolph Wise. Alvin Wolfort, Joe Seellg. Ed S. Wolff.

Among those pres Messieurs— Bert Levy, Maurice Wise, Joe Lenton, Winnie Stampfer, Henry Lowenstein, Isador Gleuck, M. Audrey Scellg, M. Audrey Scelig. I. C. Rice. George Woolf. Jr., Alfred Mandel,

Lionel Kalish. Archie Philipps. lisses— Elisie Brunswick, Elisie Backrach, Marie Connor, Claudia Baum, Jewel Wohigemuth,

Pauline Harris, Della Morris, Edna Summerfield, Stella Summerfield, Ruby Schwartz, Louise Meyer, Birdie Lewis, Helen Lewis, Brunetta Baum,

A BIRTHDAY SURPRISE. dancing were the features of the evening. The house was prettily decorated with paims. Among those who enjoyed a pleasant evening were:

Anna Roelrig. Ella White, Hazel Wiber Bessie Wiber. Jennie Schulte, Mersieurs— Ambrose Roche, George Wiber, Will Kaeshoefer, Frank White,

Messieurs and Mesdam E. A. White, J. Delmore, F. H. Wiber. MISS SHELLEY ENTERTAINS.

Miss Margaret Shelley of Montgomery street, assisted by her cousin, Miss Mayme Shelley, entertained friends at her hor last Saturday afternoon, Mrs. Harris H. Benning and Mrs. L. M. Burris also as-sisted in entertaining until late in the afternoon, when the young folks were ushere into the dining-room, where luncheon wa

Misses—
Stella Haley,
Ethel Griefield,
Elsle Moriority,
Mayme Burris, Mayme Shelley, Belle Smith, Gladys Howell, Mae Haley. Margaret Shelley.

The marriage of Miss Anna Hanick and William C. Musgrave will take place this morning at 8 o'clock in the New Cathedral Chapel, the service to be read by the Reverend Father Gilfilian. The bride's sister, Miss Fideles Hanick, will be the only bridesmaid, while W. J. O'Connor will assist Mr. Musgrave as best man.

The bride and bridesroom will assist Mr. Musgrave as best man. The bride and bridegroom will go South for Mardi Gras week in New Orleans, then cross the Gulf to Havana for a three weeks' visit, and expect to reach their home in

Fairmount avenue by the last of March. PERSONAL MENTION. Mrs. Jesse Dwight Dana of Boston, Mass. is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Edward F.

The McRee-Drew bridal party saw the and later supped at Faust's, in the Dutch room, which was florally decorated, the table being trimmed with spring flowers—narcissus, hyacinths and mignonette.

Miss Rosalle McRee, the bride-elect; Tankerville Drew, the bridgeroom; Miss Jane Helm of Louisville, George Drew, Miss Emily Wickham, SamaDavis, Miss Eugenia McBlair, Griffith McRee, Miss Lossphine McBlair, Griffith McRee, Miss Josephine Valsh, Julius S. Walsh, Jr., Mary McRee, Philip Scanlan, Miss Marie Scanlan and

Dwight Davis composed the party. Mr. and Mrs. Medford Joh dirner last night for their guests, Mrs. Allen Kreiger of St. Paul and Mrs. Breit-

Mr. and Mrs. P. McMullen of Holden, Mo., have returned home after a week's visit to their mother, Mrs. Mary McMullen, and daughters.

Mrs. Reynolds of Kansas City is visiting with her sister, Mrs. Mary McMullen.

WEBSTER GROVES. Mr. and Mrs. Valentine Johnson gave a valentine party Saturday evening. Mr. Johnson's name of Valentine was given him

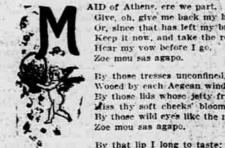
because of his birth on that day. The in vitations which were on the valentine pos tal cards read: "Mr. and Mrs. Valentine A valentine party." The house was deco-rated with red hearts and each guest was given a cap to wear suggestive of his estate in life. Single men wore a cap made of two large hearts joined at the side edges Single ladies wore a quiver with one arrow Engaged girls wore a quiver without heart or arrow, while the engaged men had a whole heart with an arrow stuck through it. Married men had haif a heart plerced with an arrow, while their mates had half a heart with empty quiver. The evening was spent in playing three games progressively-hearts, old maid and a game of ana grams, in which each answer related to St. Valentine's Day. The tally cards were red hearts, on which silver arrows were stuck for each game won. The first prizes were given to Frederick Stoddard and Miss Ma-mie Slaughter, the former being a bag of

POEMS WORTH KNOWING.

MAID OF ATHENS.

BY LORD BYRON.

The subject of this poem was one of the Macri sisters, daughters of Theodore Macri, Consul of Athens. The concluding line of each stanga is modern Greek. It means, literally, taking the words in order, "Lafe of me, thee I lave" (My life, I love thee). It is pronounced "Zo-e moo same ag-a-po, "Istamboul" (Is-tam-bool) is another name for Constantinople. AID of Athens, ere we part.



Give, oh, give me back my heart! Or, since that has left my breast, Keep it now, and take the rest! Hear my vow before I go, Zoe mou sas agapo. By those tresses unconfined,

Woodd by each Aegean wind By those lids whose jetty fringe diss thy soft cheeks' blooming tinge; By those wild eyes like the roe, Zoe mou sas agapo.

By all the token-flowers that tell What words an never speak so well; By love's atternate joy and woe,

Maid of Athens! I am gone; Think of me, sweet! when alone, Though I fly to Istamboul. Athens holds my heart and soul. Can I cease to love thee? No:



salt tied to a heart, with some commentary on "a fresh youth." Second prizes were taken by James Lewis and Miss Julia Huse. and the booby by Glenn Hutchinson, the and the booby by Glenn Hutchinson, the last three being large heart-shaped boxes of candy. Other guests were: Mrs. Frederick Stoddard, Misses Alice Slaughter. Marjory Dawson, Anne Brown, Elizabeth Rhodes, Mildred Allen, Hattie Hutchinson, Margaret Bryant, Sarah Avery, Bessie Joy, M. Smith and Messrs, J. P. Helfenstein, Mayo Hutchinson, James Lewis, William Penny, Trescott Chaplin, Taylor, M. C. Seropyan, Mark Moody, Truman Hawes and Walter Payne.

Seropyan, Mark Moody, Truman Hawes and Walter Payne.

The Family Dancing Club had its fourth party Friday night at Bristol Hall. Some of those present were: Messrs. and Mmes. J. S. Dowler, B. J. Conrad, C. W. Ferguson, M. M. Clark, F. S. Plant, F. G. Howe, King Kauffman, Allen McKinnie, C. E. Walker, Mmes. Moulton, Marshall Baker, Anna Hillman, L. R. Flackmer, R. A. Quarles, William Campbell, A. B. Kauffman, J. P. Gruet, William Slaughter, Misses Lee Moulten, Grace Ferguson, Fannie Goodwin, ion. Grace Ferguson. Fannie Goodwin, Gladys Blackmer. Florence and Mary Quarles. Abble Campbell. Viola Hunt, Messrs. Walter Warren, Jack Gruet, Glenn

and Perley Hutchinson. The Monday Club The Monday Club entertainment of "Cradle Songs and Dances of Many Na-tions" had its dress rehearsal Tuesday night. About seventy-five persons will take part and the costumes are to be unique and varied. Professor Louis Mahler has been drilling the dancers several times a week since the 1st of February.

MRS. ROOSEVELT WELL AGAIN.

Mrs. Knox Is Latest Victim of Strenuous Social Life.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Washington, Feb. 17.-Mrs. Roosevelt has recovered from her recent brief illness and went to Philadelphia this afternoon to be the guest of Mrs. John William Brock, who gives an opera party in her honor to-night. She was accompanied only by her maid and will return to Washington to-morrow, E> fore the opera Mr. and Mrs. Brock will entertain at dinner in Mrs. Roosevelt's honor. Mrs. Knox, wife of the Attorney General, has also succumbed to the strenuousness of Washington entertaining and her physician counsels complete rest and recommends a trip away from the city. He wishes her to leave Washington the end of this week. She will go to Florida with her son, Rese Knox.

WARSHIPS TO GO TO HONDURAS

United States' Interests Will Be Well Guarded.

Washington, Feb. 17 .- Upon further report rom United States Consul William E. Alger, at Puerto Cortez, that conditions in Ionduras are threatening and that American interests are likely to be endangered. owing to the international turmoil, Secretay Moody to-day decided to send Admiral Coghlan's fleet of cruisers and gunboats. now cruising in the Caribbean, to the gulf coast of Honduras. The orders will issued to-morrow.

MITCHELL MAY DECLINE PURSE.

President of Mine Workers Doesn't Want to Accept \$75,000.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Wilkesbarre, Pa., Feb. 17.—A \$75.000 purse has no attraction for President John Mitchell of the United Mine Workers. It is now being raised by the anthracite workers as a token of their appreciation for all he has done for them, but word comes from President Mitchell that he does not want the money.

money.

Board Member Schloser of this district says that he was recently talking with President Mitcheli on the subject, and he expressed his distriction to take the money, saying that he was satisfied with his salary. If the fund is completed it may, in the event of his refusing it, be used as the nucleus of a mine and anthracite mine workers' fund.

FOR ENTICING BOY FROM HOME Eighteen-Year-Old Bride May Be Arrested.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Feb. 17.—Eighteen-year-old Sadie Thomas, who ran away with 15-year-old Howard Deitrick, may be arrested for enticing him away from home and mar-rying him. They were wedded in Bingham-ton and were to-day found by the police with friends near Scranton. The girl fur-viabed the money for the elopement. The nished the money for the el parents of the boy are deeply incensed and talk of beginning prosecution.

WANTED TO FIGHT INDIANS. Henderson Preacher's Son Caught

on Way to St. Louis. REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Exampulle. Ind. Feb. 17.—William Masklin Taylor, aged 11 years, son of a Raptist
minister at Henderson, Ky., was caught by
the police this afternoon as he was boarding a train for St. Louis.

He said he was going West to fight Indians and become a scout. His pockets
literally were filled with money. He said
he had been a student of "Old Sleuth" and
"Cap Collier." The boy was sent home.

Stocking Manufacturer Interested. Gothold Koerner of Chemnits, Germany, a city which produces one million stockings a day, was a visitor yesterday at the Administration building. He assured Chief Hulbert of the Department of Manufactures that his firm, one of the largest manufacturing concerns of stockings in Europe, would work for an unprecedented German exhibit of textiles in 1994.

............... TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO TO-DAY IN ST. LOUIS. From The Republic, February 19, 1878. A meeting was held at No. 819

North Fifth street and arrangements made for the celebration of the one of Robert Emmet, March 4. A committee was appointed, composed of John S. Griffin, Doctor P. S. O'Reilly, . John Talbot, Daniel O'Connell, Daniel Sexton, Samuel Erskine, Andrew Brown, D. H. MacAdam and D. O'C. John Hincheliffe, a well-known at-

torney and politician of Belleville, died at No. 2419 Cass avenue, where • he had come for medical treatment. • Doctor Sylvester L. Nidelet lost a . horse and buggy, evidently stolen. • This was his second misfortune of • . the kind in a few months,

A thief robbed the chicken coop at . Henry Moses's home, No. 2904 North The Irish Catholic Parade Union

 held its annual meeting and appointed marshals for the St. Patrick's • Day parade as follows: M. J. Cullen, • John Carroll, Bernard Donnelly and • · Ed McGroarty. The officers elected · were Patrick Monohan, Andy Brown, . Bernard T. Fury and P. T. Connor. The Franciscan Sisters purchased a

● lot 127x100 feet at the southeast corner of Fourteenth and O'Fallon streets for \$10,000. Walter Baldwin, a small boy living at No. 1517 Madison street, was seriously bitten while attempting to sep-

 arate two fighting dogs. The silver wedding anniversary of Doctor and Mrs. D. R. Luyties was celebrated at their residence, No. 509 .

A baby kangaroo, born at the Fair Grounds, was of great interest to children

The St. Louis Bench Show opened at the Skating Rink, with several hundred fine canines on exhibition. Doctor Henry C. Moss of Venice was aroused at night, called to his • door and shot and killed by an uni-

dentified person.